

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments herein. Claims 15-21 are cancelled without prejudice.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, it is respectfully submitted that all claims remaining in the application (Claims 1 and 3-14) are now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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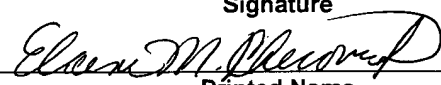


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